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## A Line up of Political Half Breeds.

### A Chain of Shin Plasters From Tatum to Carlsbad Form A Mimic Combine For the Defeat of the New County.

(A clipping from the Carlsbad Current)

The Current has refrained from expression or comment on the question of a new county for the eastern side of Eddy county, for the reason that no matter what position we might assume it would be misconstrued or misquoted and will therefore simply copy what is said for or against the project which is sought by some to be created into a new county. The following from papers published in various sections of the district may be of interest.—Carlsbad Current

#### That New County.

The paper published at Tatum, a small town in Chaves county some ten miles north of the Eddy county line has the following:

"The Pecos Valley Towns of Artesia tells us about two Lovington men being in Artesia promoting a new county on the Plains with Lovington as the county seat.

If a new county can be created on the Plains and not make taxes higher it is all right, but, to create a new county for a lot of bankrupt fellows to get a chance to create a stir and ride into office on some hobby and fatten at the tax payers expense is no good. On the other hand to create a new county with some store or some little place in the center in order to boost some town so a lot of fellows can get rich from town property is another bad tendency.

We've heard several loud new county boosters honking for a new county when in reality they were squawking for office. Several citizens have been heard to ask, "Wonder what office he'll run for? When you see a man who does not even own land, or any thing else just kindly ask him what office he wants, or what town site he is interested in.

A new county, with service as it's object and boosted by citizens, is all right but the town grafter and office seeker's are to be avoided.

Counties just over the line in Tex. that are only thirty-five miles square, have a tax rate less than one-fourth as high as Chaves and Eddy counties and they grade roads and build court houses and are not so deep in debt.

It is not impossible to maintain a good sized county on the Plains with a normal tax rate, but it might be impossible and is certainly improbable with a lot of grafters in office.

A new county on the Plains which will serve the greatest number of people and inconvenience no one is badly needed, but we would not need a costly court house until we get a railroad on the Plains.

Just how many counties, and where and how they should lie depends on the future for solution.

McArthur of Monument on New County.

W. G. McArthur well known in Carlsbad and one of the first settlers on the Plains has the following in the Eunice paper:

Editor of Plains Democrat.

Dear Sir: In the issue of the Lovington Leader, dated May 8, 1914,

is an article upon a paper from the Roswell News and headed, "Love the right man".

This article states that the people of the Plains got together and endorsed Hon. R. F. Love as a candidate for the legislature.

As a matter of fact the people on the Plains have not gotten together for as far as I can learn, the only people who have endorsed Mr. Love for the legislature were the residents of Lovington only, and Lovington is situated on the extreme northern side of the county. I will further state that so far as I can learn the people of Monument and other towns south did not even know that a meeting was held to endorse anybody.

The article further states that the county division is to be the big problem to come before the next legislature. I want to say that the people of Monument, and the lower part of the Plains country are not in favor of county division as proposed by the town of Lovington, but are in favor of a county taken entirely from Eddy county.

Yours truly,  
W. G. McArthur,  
"A paper From Eunice"

The above clippings are amusing. Were it not for the fact that some well meaning citizens may read them in other sheets and receive false impressions, we should treat the whole litigation effort with silent contempt. But this bunch of political chameleons are very much mistaken if they think they can misrepresent cold facts to an honest citizenship and not have their hand called.

At the helm of a junk shop printery which turns out a nest of postage stamps sheets, referred to for the sake of alliance, by the Carlsbad Current as newspaper's, is a pigeon toed pedagogue who wipes his teeth with his coat sleeve, often stands badly in need of foot powder's, known around Lovington as a hot headed Socialist, and who has since declared, we are informed, that he never had been a Socialist.

At the other end of the line of this group of disseminators of political piety, at Eunice, is another bench legged ex-jax who swore out a felonious indictment against his best friend and neighbor, and saw proper to drop the matter before it came to trial.

Associated with these two intellectual non entities is another at Monument, one time stand-pat Republican, rest while Teddy progressive, and now suffering pains of the abdomen, so keen is the desire to grace the hall's of our State legislature that he may bring forth a county, and such a bairn as would have more or less resemblance to it's sire.

This mug wump, mostly wump, nearly had an idea not long since, and he feels called upon to play the Moses for the people of intelligence on the Plains.

And from down in the valley the Carlsbad Current sends back the echo, "I can't cuss nobody, boy's, cause I'm

afraid I'll be misconstrued; but you cuss em and I'll catch it on an Edison record and crank up the machine ever and anon."

Thus it is plain that the poor old town of Lovington is completely surrounded by an invincible phalanx of enemies, even now sounding the reveille. But, as Jeff Davis once said at Mexico City, "stealy Mississippians." Let us cast about and see if we can find ourselves.

As to the reference made by the band bill north of us, referred to by the Current as a new-paper, it is evident that the dog is returning unto its vomit, and the sow to its wallowing in the mire, for it can no more break away from its old habits of peddling cheap lies than the Chinaman can break away from opium.

Listen: "We have heard several loud new county boosters honking for a new county when in reality they were squawking for office." If the writer of this is as far from the pearly gates as some of his utterances are from the truth, he is simply in the h-l of a fix.

But he means for the public to believe that the good citizens of Lovington are out to put a bill up to the legislature creating a new county with Lovington as the county seat, and then erect a costly edifice as a temple of justice at expense of the horny handed farmers of the Plains, and round it all off by passing among themselves the pie of county offices.

This puerile and malicious would remind one of the school boy who so enjoyed reciting, "when I was a little lad, I sat me down to cry, because my little brother had the biggest piece of pie"

Every good citizen on the Plains knows that the citizens of Lovington are up and doing for a new county.

Every good citizen on the Plains may expect Lovington to be in the race for county seat. But if the misrepresenting scribe quoted above could feel at ease long enough to attend some of our wide open commercial club meetings he would get a little gumption soaked into his head, and then if he could associate with some gentlemen long enough to learn to tell the truth one time, he would tell the half dozen or so oddities who use his paper that Lovington invites every good citizen on the Plains to follow her example and get up off their haunches and fight for a new county with boundaries where the majority desire; that Lovington invites every place on the Plains, even "that small town in Chaves County" to run its little self all it pleases as a candidate and then go back and take a seat, and that the probabilities are that citizens of Lovington, in case of success, will actually take joint action in the matter of county offices, absolutely turn them all down, and pass them out and to citizens of the other parts of the Plains as an act of courtesy. Another short chapter. W. G. McArthur, by aid of the automatic repeating machine down in the valley the Current, puts the Roswell Morning News in an awkward position before the public, and the average reader would conclude that Leader had mistated facts. The News referred to the endorsement of Mr. Love as done by the Plains people.

There has been no formal endorsement by people other than on the Plains, hence it was proper to use the expression. But McArthur may be short on diction and a comprehension of newspaper courtesy, and possibly does not understand this.

And as to the innuendo that the Leader stated that the people of the Plains had endorsed Love, it is creative of a false impression. The Leader plainly stated that Love was endorsed by a citizen's caucus, and we note that McArthur travels all the way to Roswell to get a quotation susceptible two meanings in order to mislead the Plains people. The Hon. R. F. Love was endorsed to succeed himself in the legislature, by his fellow townsmen, and when W. G. McArthur can boast as much his criticisms will be more forcible.

But what a battle array, by which we are confronted? At one end a reformed(?) Socialist, who long since betrayed his comrades for what appeared to be a few pieces of silver.

At the other end a man from whose lips have fallen curses, curses, for Democrats, A Socialist, a man who denies the existence of a God yet stands up when the preacher calls for Christians, a man who, under oath charged a neighbor with treasonous intent and then couldn't face the music.

In the middle a political turncoat who perhaps aspires to the honor of a state law maker at the hands of Democrats. And down in the Valley an automaton in the form of a pretended Democrat who is now up in arms trying to cut the political throat of one of the staunchest Democrats who ever trod New Mexican soil, the Hon. Wm. C. McDonald.

For God's sake, fellows, let's turn tails and flee to the fastnesses of the mountains for safety.

Since the meeting of the Confederates which should have taken place May 18th, was rained out, we are instructed to say that a meeting will take place at Lovington June 18.

Judge Bingham has authority from head quarters to organize a camp here, and expects a goodly number of the old "battle scarred war horses" to be present. All old Federals are invited to meet and fraternize with them.

There will be dinner prepared, probably at the hotel.

Mr. J. Leroy Lancaster.  
Editor Lovington Leader.  
Lovington N. M.

Dear Mr. Lancaster:

We are just in receipt of your issue of May 1st, 1914, for which we are certainly obliged to you. The writer has taken a great deal of pleasure in reading every column of it from front page to back and every personal and advertisement. We have had our eyes opened considerably since reading it and if you will permit us we will tell you why.

First we didn't know Lovington and the plains had a paper to compare with the "Leader". It is well written and the mechanical work such as arrangement, typesetting spelling and printing are remarkable good. From an editorial point of view you give evidence of considerable back bone and the ability to "cover" your town and surrounding country energetically.

The advertising is clear and readable and well set up. We certainly congratulate you, Mr. Lancaster, first on your paper and we next congratulate your people on having a paper like the "Leader".

We do not believe the people here as a rule realize the vast amount of territory lying to our Eastward between the Texas state line and the Pecos river. We do not realize the rapid strides this immense section is making toward permanent settlement. We believe, we of Roswell should keep in close touch with your section, show your people we are interested in your development, and by extending every aid in our power, to attract your constantly growing trade to our beautiful city of Roswell.

We note that irrigation by pump is becoming an agitated question and your Midland neighbors

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## Lovington---Tatum Hack Line.

Plies between Lovington and Tatum, three times each week,  
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have recently called on you bringing this discussion up. If your list is not too great, you can do it and do it profitably. We don't want our Midland friends to win you away from us, however, so we are going to try and arrange a little excursion on our own hook in to your country and if we come we are going to bring a real pumping expert who can give you facts and figures gleaned from actual experience here, an engine and pump supply man, a fuel oil man, and of course Mr. Tomis, secretary of our Commercial Club, and a representative of our firm, Mr. H. K. Cobean. We will of course call on you.

As a concrete proof of our faith in your paper we enclose a 2-inch, two column ad which we will be glad to have appear in the remaining issues of May and all of June. Next year, we will commence our advertising with you February 1st, and continue to July 1st.

We also enclose our 1914 catalogue and price list and are sending out 86 more with circular letters to citizens of Lovington, Knowles, Warren and Plainview. We have a good many trucks and customers in your country but we believe advertising in the "Leader" and our direct personal letters, will greatly enlarge our acquaintance and trade in your section. We will call on you soon no doubt.

Yours very truly,

The Farmer's Supply Co.

Lovington-McDonald

The boys of Lovington crossed bats on Saturday, last with the team at McDonald. The score stood 6 to 7, for Lovington. The Lovington line up was:  
Milton Mason-P, Drew Jackson 1st, Cap Oliver-2nd, Tom Jackson-CF, Geo. Shepard-SS, Ray Carter-3rd, Joe McMahan-RF, Chester Shepard

L. E. Jno Roden-CF  
Lovington 7 McDonald 6.  
Bill Bartlett umpired the game. The McDonald team: Three James boys, Will and Jim McClish, Herman Terry, Fred Ferris, Bery Black. The game seemed to be pretty close. A couple of extra cars of boosters attended from Lovington. It was an enjoyable time. McDonald will be down soon to try it over with Lovington.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.  
022141  
Department of the Interior, U. S.  
Land office at Roswell, N. M. May 13, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that William J. Chance, of Lovington N. M. who on April 11, 1910, made HD. E. serial No. 022141 for Lots 3-4-5 and 6 section 1 Twp. 16 S Range 36 E. N. M. P. M. has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Edward M. Love, U. S. Commissioner in his office at Lovington, N. M. June 23, 1914.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
James M. Roden Jr., William N. Johnson, Emory M. Caudill, Robert F. Love, all of Lovington, N. M.  
Emmett Patton, Register,  
May 22, June 19

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

United States Land Office, Roswell New Mexico, May 7, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that the State of New Mexico, by authority of the acts of Congress approved June 21, 1898, and June 20, 1910, and acts supplementary and amendatory thereto has made selection of the following public land to wit: List 145 serial No 028504 Lots 1-2, E1-2 NW1-4 NE1-4 Sec. 19, Twp. 20 S. Range 37 E. containing 31842 acres.

Protest and contests against any or all of said selection may be filed in this office anytime in the period of publication or there after before final certificate and approval.

Emmett Patton, Register.

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